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## **NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION**

[NARA-2015-002]

Records Schedules; Availability and Request for Comments

**AGENCY:** National Archives and Records Administration  
(NARA) .

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of proposed records  
schedules; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) publishes notice at least once monthly of certain Federal agency requests for records disposition authority (records schedules). Once approved by NARA, records schedules provide mandatory instructions on what happens to records when no longer needed for current Government business. They authorize the preservation of records of continuing value in the National Archives of the United States and the destruction, after a specified period, of records lacking administrative, legal, research, or other value. Notice is published for records schedules in which agencies propose to destroy records not previously authorized for disposal or reduce the retention period of records already authorized for disposal. NARA invites public comments on such records schedules, as required by 44 U.S.C. 3303a(a) .

**DATES:** Requests for copies must be received in writing on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS FROM PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]. Once the appraisal of the records is completed, NARA will send a copy of the schedule. NARA staff usually prepare appraisal memorandums that contain additional information concerning the records covered by a proposed schedule. These, too, may be requested and will be provided once the appraisal is completed. Requesters will be given 30 days to submit comments.

**ADDRESSES:** You may request a copy of any records schedule identified in this notice by contacting Records Management Services (ACNR) using one of the following means:

Mail: NARA (ACNR), 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD  
20740-6001

E-mail: [request.schedule@nara.gov](mailto:request.schedule@nara.gov)

FAX: 301-837-3698

Requesters must cite the control number, which appears in parentheses after the name of the agency which submitted the schedule, and must provide a mailing address. Those who desire appraisal reports should so indicate in their request.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Margaret Hawkins,  
Director, Records Management Services (ACNR), National  
Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road,

College Park, MD 20740-6001. Telephone: 301-837-1799. E-mail: request.schedule@nara.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Each year Federal agencies create billions of records on paper, film, magnetic tape, and other media. To control this accumulation, agency records managers prepare schedules proposing retention periods for records and submit these schedules for NARA's approval. These schedules provide for the timely transfer into the National Archives of historically valuable records and authorize the disposal of all other records after the agency no longer needs them to conduct its business. Some schedules are comprehensive and cover all the records of an agency or one of its major subdivisions. Most schedules, however, cover records of only one office or program or a few series of records. Many of these update previously approved schedules, and some include records proposed as permanent.

The schedules listed in this notice are media neutral unless specified otherwise. An item in a schedule is media neutral when the disposition instructions may be applied to records regardless of the medium in which the records are created and maintained. Items included in schedules submitted to NARA on or after December 17, 2007, are media neutral unless the item is limited to a specific medium. (See 36 CFR 1225.12(e).)

No Federal records are authorized for destruction without the approval of the Archivist of the United States. This approval is granted only after a thorough consideration of their administrative use by the agency of origin, the rights of the Government and of private persons directly affected by the Government's activities, and whether or not they have historical or other value.

Besides identifying the Federal agencies and any subdivisions requesting disposition authority, this public notice lists the organizational unit(s) accumulating the records or indicates agency-wide applicability in the case of schedules that cover records that may be accumulated throughout an agency. This notice provides the control number assigned to each schedule, the total number of schedule items, and the number of temporary items (the records proposed for destruction). It also includes a brief description of the temporary records. The records schedule itself contains a full description of the records at the file unit level as well as their disposition. If NARA staff has prepared an appraisal memorandum for the schedule, it too includes information about the records. Further information about the disposition process is available on request.

**SCHEDULES PENDING:**

1. Department of Agriculture, Office of the Secretary (DAA-0016-2014-0002, 1 item, 1 temporary item). Administrative wage garnishment case files.

2. Department of Army, Agency-wide (DAA-AU-2014-0025, 1 item, 1 temporary item). Master files of an electronic information system that contains oil sample information and other records related to oil analysis.

3. Department of Commerce, Census Bureau (DAA-0029-2014-0005, 3 items, 3 temporary items). Records of the Center for Administrative Records Research and Applications documenting the acquisition and processing of data files from outside providers.

4. Department of Defense, National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (DAA-0537-2014-0004, 1 item, 1 temporary item). Files related to the health and training of agency police dogs.

5. Department of Health and Human Services, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (DAA-0510-2014-0001, 1 item, 1 temporary item). Guest researcher agreements.

6. Department of Health and Human Services, Indian Health Service (DAA-0513-2014-0003, 5 items, 5 temporary

items). Patient medical records and related indices of the health management program.

7. Department of Homeland Security, Office of the Chief Security Officer (DAA-0563-2014-0003, 3 items, 3 temporary items). Administrative records for account access and certification.

8. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (N1-473-12-5, 43 items, 35 temporary items). Records documenting regulatory oversight and stewardship activities for the Outer Continental Shelf. Records include plans and permits for exploration, development, and production of oil and gas; oil spill preparedness and planning; environmental monitoring; and industry safety and training initiatives. Records proposed for permanent retention include oil spill research, response and incident reviews, environmental studies and enforcement actions, and safety and environmental management and compliance program records.

9. National Archives and Records Administration, Agency-wide (DAA-0064-2014-0003, 1 item, 1 temporary item). Routine surveillance recordings of a federal facility.

10. National Archives and Records Administration, Research Services (N2-84-14-3, 1 item, 1 temporary item). Records of Foreign Service Posts of the Department of State

including visa applications, registration books, and other related records. These records were accessioned to the National Archives but lack sufficient historical value to warrant continued preservation.

11. National Archives and Records Administration, Research Services (N2-166-14-2, 2 items, 2 temporary items). Records of the Foreign Agricultural Service including drafts of outgoing cables and copies of Foreign Service regulations issued by the Department of State. These records were accessioned to the National Archives but lack sufficient historical value to warrant continued preservation.

12. National Archives and Records Administration, Research Services (N2-208-14-1, 2 items, 2 temporary items). Records of the Office of War Information which duplicate records in other series. These records were accessioned to the National Archives but lack sufficient historical value to warrant continued preservation.

13. Social Security Administration, Office of Legislation and Congressional Affairs (DAA-0047-2012-0005, 15 items, 10 temporary items). Records include correspondence files, control logs, legislation files, preparation materials, and analysis files. Proposed for permanent retention are formally approved legislative

packages, legislative bulletins, historical files,  
testimony, and questions for the record.

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